



Fiordland College Newsletter

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From the Principal's Desk



It was great to hear the 2021 Head Student candidates speak in assembly last week. I was impressed with the clear vision that each one articulated for the future of Fiordland College. Indicative voting was held last Friday and we look forward to the interviews that will take place in December.

Senior reports went home yesterday. There were some outstandingly good reports. Well done to those students who achieved Principal's Awards for their efforts in the second half of the year.

In our assembly on Tuesday I awarded a huge number of Excellence Certificates for NCEA internal assessments, achieved over the course of the year. Our students have made amazing progress under difficult conditions, and I think we can feel very proud of them.

Our senior students are now on study leave and will begin their NCEA externals on Monday. We wish them all the very best with their final study and preparation. Our Year 9 and Year 10 students are currently sitting their end of year exams. All the best to them as well.

And on Monday, construction of our new playground will begin. Watch this space.

E haere rā
Lynlee Smith

Outstanding Reports

The following students were recipients of a Principal's Award for an Outstanding End of Year Report:

Level 1

Fern Calder, Maggie Knowles, Bailey Taylor, Amelija Watson

Level 2

Esther Cole, Legy Anne Puyat, Lindsay Roberts, Prapitchaya Saimule, Taisei Shimizu

Level 3

Iona Brimecombe, Janelle Horrell, Milli Taylor, Jessica Willans

What a fantastic effort - well done :-)

Quote of the Week



Integrity has no need of rules
- Albert Camus

Congratulations



SIT Building and Joinery

Every Friday Thomas Prendergast attended a Building and Joinery Course at SIT. He has really enjoyed the course and completed some awesome projects. Last Friday he attended the graduation ceremony at SIT.



Grass Karts

A grass kart, built by three Year 12 students (Luke Campbell, Cory Beaumont and Lachlan Davie) at the Hokonui Tertiary High School was put to the test during a grass kart race last week at James Hargest College. The grass karts had been made in Engineering classes, where the students had spent between 70 to 80 hours on their karts, every Friday, for the majority of the school year.



Excellence Awards

The following students received Excellence Awards, at the last whole school assembly for this year, on Tuesday.

It is especially impressive, given the year we have had, to see the high number of NCEA Internal Excellences students received.

Congratulations to you all. You are definitely living up to the school motto "Reward for Effort".

Level 1

Keisha Caalim, Fern Calder, Scarlett Campbell, Noah Cockburn, Debbie Cole, Cole Hegan, Charlie Cunningham, Zoe Denley, Sofia Egerton, Paige Grieve, Lucy Holmes-Crombie, Bronson Horrell, Maggie Knowles, Zesen Liu, Oliver Mann, Mira Matthews, Tom McMurtrie, Hallum Meskauskas, Alice Newcombe, Tayla Roberts, Lisa Scott, Sidney Spence, Bailey Taylor, Noah Temple, Amelija Watson, Meg Wilson, Emma Wilson, Madison Wilson

Level 2

Jessica Barnes, Emma Britton, Esther Cole, Robert Gow, Keela Matthews, Rosie McBride, Connor Moffat, Jessica Molloy, Jeb Nicholson, Tyler Otene, Legy Puyat, Lindsay Roberts, Taisei Shimizu, Jake Tither

Level 3

Keren Andrews, Iona Brimecombe, Riku Darroch, Lily Griffiths, Janelle Horrell, Elizabeth Hughes, Joshua Pearson, Isaac Pearson, Lucy Schuck, Milli Taylor, Millie Walker, Jessica Willans, Isabella Wilson, Forrest Wilson

Reminder - Diaries to be signed and handed to form teachers on FRIDAY!

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Car Park Closed

With NCEA examinations commencing on Monday 16 November, we will need to close the gates to the College car park beside the swimming pool.

Visitors to the school, or pool users, will need to park along Howden Street or in McKinnon Loop.

Past Pupils

Although 2020 will have certain bad memories for most people, the College will also remember it for the very public successes of some of its former students.

The National Elections saw ex student Ayesha Verrall elected as an MP. She has gone one step higher with her inclusion in the Cabinet as an Associate Minister of Health, Associate Minister of Research, Science and Innovation, Minister for Seniors and Minister for Food Safety.



On Waitangi Day, Logan Black was on our televisions, as one of the officers leading the dignitaries at the Waitangi Day celebrations. Logan is a Lieutenant in the New Zealand Air Force.



Richard Crouchley is starring in the new series, on TV1, "Black Hands". Richard plays the lead character of David Bain. His acting is superb.



Well done all of you :-)

Year 9/10s

The Year 9/10 students have been hard at it sitting exams today and have more again tomorrow.

NCEA conditions apply to their exams - a good learning curve in preparation for when they sit NCEA exams in the next year or two.



SVA Service Award

On Tuesday, we were able to present our SVA Service Pins to those students who have dedicated time volunteering in our community. It is a wonderful achievement by these students and we commend them for their generosity and service. Well done!

MEMBER SERVICE PIN: 5+ hours volunteering:

- Nicole Green
- Riyanna Stevenson
- Jessica Willans
- Forrest Wilson

BRONZE SERVICE PIN: 32+ hours volunteering

- Charlie Cunningham
- Alice Newcombe
- Riyanna Stevenson
- Jessica Willans
- Sophie Willans
- Forrest Wilson

SILVER SERVICE PIN: 250+ hours volunteering

- Forrest Wilson

Special congratulations must go to Forrest, who was also presented with his Gold Service Pin. This pin is in recognition of 500+ hours of volunteering. Thank you for your service, Forrest. We are very proud of you.

GOLD SERVICE PIN: 500+ hours volunteering

- Forrest Wilson

Celebrating young people volunteering



Left to Right Back Row:

Forrest Wilson
Charlie Cunningham
Sophie Willans
Alice Newcombe
Jess Willans

Front Row:
Riyanna Stevenson
Nicole Green

Upcoming Events

Tue	17 Nov	Teacher Only Day
Mon	16 Nov	NCEA External Exams Start Years 11-13
Mon	30 Nov	Year 6 visit to the College
Wed	09 Dec	Prizegiving at Events Centre - 7.00pm



Parents, Caregivers, soon to be Parents!

As parents we need all the support and suggestions to survive and thrive!!!!.....so we would like to invite you along to an enjoyable evening with Pio Terei. Yes we can hear all the excuses not to attend!!!! So we have decided to offer: **Free** transport, **free** admission and assistance with a babysitter (if required).

Each family represented will receive a goodie family pack and will also go into the draw to win a Mitre 10 prize- Tool Box valued over \$250.00 worth of tools. We believe families are important and travelling down together will be a really cool way to connect with other parents who are also seeking new tools to strengthen their families.

We have hired a 40 seater bus so let's pack it up....limited to only 40 people.... All families are welcomed...solo parents, yet to be parents. Nau mai haere mai!!!

Building Awesome Whanau is a programme provided by Parenting Place. Key **topics** that will be covered include:

- Aroha/love as the foundation
- The mana of the parent
- Parenting styles overview
- Importance of whānau dinner
- Good Communication
- Looking after ourselves as parents
- Dealing with Bullying
- Building Rangatira
- Self esteem

Contact: Dale Wairau on 0272661986 or Nita Cole on 0272658049 Confirm your seat today.






Tuesday 17th of November

Lumsden, Memorial Hall

7pm-8.30pm.

Bus leaving at 5.45pm at Events Centre, Te Anau

PIO TEREI

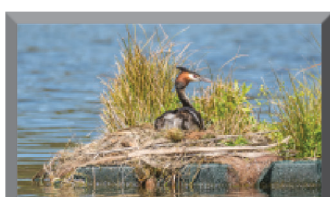
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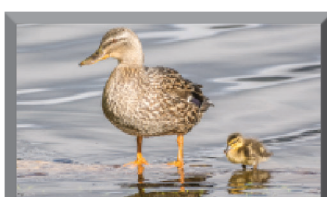
It's all on at Punanga Manu o Te Anau/Te Anau Bird Sanctuary and a great time to visit! Have you seen the sanctuary's young residents yet? The sanctuary is positively bursting at the seams with little ones! Takahē pair Tara and Mohio's two chicks are growing well and the sanctuary's second takahē pair have recently welcomed one healthy chick to the world. Resident kākā Charlie and Bling have a nest of four fuzzy chicks too! Nest cams allow you to see what's happening up close and personal at both the kākā and takahē nests. The takahē nest cam is brand new and was made possible by talented and dedicated community volunteers and Mitre 10's Takahē Recovery fund.

There are also papango/scaup ducklings at the duck pond and kāmana/Australasian crested grebes building a nest on the floating platform on Lake Te Anau. Excitingly, there are even three tiny kōwhiowhio ducklings from the sanctuary's first-ever breeding pair! Kōwhiowhio is the Ngāi Tahu name for what is more widely known as the whio or blue duck. The ducklings aren't yet visible on tour but they will be soon.

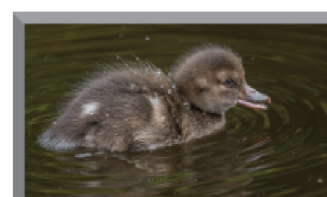
Remember that you can visit the sanctuary any time between dawn and dusk and that you can help by making a donation that will go directly to the upkeep of facilities and animal care. Donations are best made in cash in the sanctuary's donation boxes or with Eftpos at the Fiordland Visitor Centre on Lakefront Drive. Thank you for your support!



Grebe on Nest - Anja Kohler



Mallard Duck - Anja Kohler



Scaup Duckling - Anja Kohler